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**AMENDMENT AND DETAILED DISCUSSION OF REFERENCES TO
ACCOMPANY PETITION TO MAKE SPECIAL UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.102(d)
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AMENDMENTS

Please cancel claims 1-3 and add new claims 4-31 as follows:

New Claims:

4. A thermally conductive structure, comprising:

a layer of adhesive having a pair of opposing surfaces, the
opposing surfaces being a first opposing surface and a second opposing
surface, the first and second surfaces being spaced from one another
along a direction defined as a vertical direction;

a plurality of flocked, thermally conductive fibers embedded in the
adhesive, the fibers having first portions which extend upwardly out of